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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Bids for construction of a new battleship and the armored cruisers North Carolina and Montana were opened yesterday by the Navy Department.——Three men scalded to death and four others badly injured by a rush of steam on the battleship Massachusetts.——Southern Railway will give $15,000 and a site for the erection of Y. M. C. A. building at Spencer, N. C.——Severe storm on the Virginia-Carolina coast; wind forty miles an hour off the capes.——In Jasper county, Ga., J. M. Parker was shot and killed by Jesse Hodges; and a son of Parker then shot Hodges fatally.——V. E. McBee has been appointed co-receiver of the Carolina-Northern Railroad Company.——The Russian battleship Sevastopal is still afloat at Port Arthur but is badly damaged.——Two persons killed and five others injured by the collapse of a bridge at Charleston, W. Va.——Japanese torpedo boats attacked the Russian battleship Sevastopal and other vessels at Port Arthur; the battleship is reported badly damaged; one torpedo boat missing.——N. Y. markets: Money on call was steady at 2½@3per cent.; cotton—market quiet at 8.00c; flour, dull but steady; wheat—spot, firm, No. 2 red $1.18; corn—spot, firm; No. 2, 62c.; oats—spot, easy; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 34½@35½c.; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 15.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 33; 8 P. M., 34 degrees; maximum, 35 degrees; minimum 31 degrees; mean 33 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .01; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.51 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—For North Carolina—Fair Friday preceded by rain or snow in east portion; Saturday fair, warmer; brisk north winds becoming variable.

STORM WARNING,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Advisory message—Northwest storm warnings ordered at 8 P. M., Norfolk, Newport News, Fort Monroe. South Atlantic storm will move northward off the coast attended by brisk to high northerly winds and some snow to-night from North Carolina to New England.

Port Almanac—December 16.

Sun Rises	7.04 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.47 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 43 M.
High Water at Southport	2.40 A. M.
High Water at Wilmington	5.10 A. M.

Many a pretty woman could break a bank if some men had banks to break.

A lady correspondent asks: "Is Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick pretty?" Yes, she is a pretty slick article.

Says the Boston Herald: "All we want is a square deal." Gee! We didn't know it was needed that far up the country.

The South is hard hit. It has suffered another landslide by the slump in the price of cotton. They all seem to be coming our way.

A story writer says: "A man should love one girl alone." "One girl alone," however, can't be loved. The fellow has to be present so she won't be alone.

President Roosevelt says he is afraid that if something is not done to regulate the railroads, Socialism will grow in this country. He might also include the Republican party under some plan of regulation for the same reason.

Please note the accumulated evidence of the power of printers ink. Thomas W. Lawson used it to make a successful raid on Wall street, and it is hard to convince us that Col. Roosevelt's landslide doesn't know how it got its start.

The STAR regrets that the Jamestown Exposition proposition cannot be favorably entertained by Congress. If that big fair is yet undertaken, we hope North Carolina will send the finest exhibit that she has ever had in the history of expositions.

It is stated that a New Jersey woman contends that she is entitled to two pensions for the reason that she is the widow of one soldier and the grass-widow of another. She is mistaken as to what is coming to her. For running the risk of marrying two soldiers a good slice of the Carnegie hero fund is what she ought to have her eyes on.

Mr. James Campbell Abernethy, managing editor of the Charlotte Observer, and Miss Margaret Kelly, one of Charlotte's most charming, accomplished and popular young ladies, were married on Wednesday. We heartily congratulate the brilliant young gentleman who has done so much in making the Observer the splendid newspaper that it is. His management—er—will go right along after this

The cotton growers, merchants, bankers, and cotton mill men of North Carolina are to meet at their respective county sites to morrow at 12 o'clock to take step towards aiding the Cotton Growers' Association in its plans to get a fair price for cotton. Doubt about the success of the plan, has been expressed in some quarters but certainly the movement can do no harm and has many possibilities of good results It is hoped that every cotton grower will attend the meetings.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Barlow's Minstrels left yesterday morning on a special Pullman car for Wilson, N. C.

— Train coaches arriving here yesterday morning from the North were covered with snow.

— Rural route No. 2, from Rocky Point, goes into effect Dec. 15th. Wm. W. Pearsall is the carrier.

— Robeson county truckers will organize an association at a public meeting in Lumberton Saturday. Mr. E. F. Ward is at the head of the movement.

— The Board of Aldermen will hold a special meeting the latter part of the present month to pass upon the liquor licenses for the six months ensuing January 1st.

— Mr. H. K. Nash received a letter yesterday from Tarboro saying that two inches of snow fell there Wednesday and that the young people are experiencing the delights of sleighing.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of John W. Hardy, of Whiteville, N. C., and Miss Carrie J. Williams, of Wilmington, a daughter of Mrs. Mary J. Williams of Florida.

— By deed filed for record yesterday Mary A. Chadbourn transferred to Bernice C. Moore and wife, for $250, property on west side of Eighth, 100 feet north of Swann street, 50x50 feet in size.

— The STAR is asked for information as to one Willis Alston, colored, from South Island, near Georgetown, S. C. His mother telegraphed yesterday from Georgetown that she wanted him to come home, if he is alive.

— There will be a school entertainment in the academy at Point Caswell, on Friday evening, Dec. 23d, at 7:30 P. M., under the auspices of the local Betterment Association for the benefit of the school.

— A saloon, 10x40 feet in size, is being built on the upper deck of the steamer "Sea Gate." The appointments of the new saloon will be elegant, in natural colors and leather upholsterings. It will be for the white passengers with the lower one for colored persons.

— Annie McLane, an insane colored woman, is held at the police station pending examination for admission into one of the State Hospitals before a commission of lunacy. The woman was a patient at the hospital but she became unmanageable and had to be sent to the station house.

— Police Sergeant George Smith is confined to his home by illness and Officer M. C. Gray is making the rounds in his stead. Sergeant C. W. Woolard is acting captain during Capt. Williams absence on account of sickness in his family and Officer H. P. Merritt is acting sergeant in Mr. Woolard's place.

— The Department responded to two alarms of fire yesterday afternoon. At 3:36 P. M. a chimney burning out on Seventh, near Castle street, called the laddies out in response to 53, and at 5:33 an alarm from box 46 brought the Department to the residence of Mr. G. Herbert Smith, 204 Nun street, where a lace curtain had caught from a gas jet. The damage in the latter instance was about $100.

Wilmington's Double Tragedies.

Greensboro Telegram: "The city of Wilmington has had to undergo a double portion of sorrow recently. First, there was the drowning of young Messrs. Gore and Brewer under circumstances that were particularly sad and distressing. Then there was on day before yesterday the railroad wreck near Waraw in which an honored engineer of Wilmington and his fireman, a colored man, lost their lives. These deplorable events coming in such quick succession seem to give evidence for the adage that troubles never come singly. The whole State joins Wilmington in its sorrow and sympathy for the terribly bereaved families."

Become Expert Accountant.

Mr. R. S. McIver, auditor of freight receipts of the A. C. L., whose resignation to take effect April 1st of the new year was noted in these columns several weeks ago, will become special auditor for cotton mills, large corporations and banks in the Carolinas and Georgia, making Greenville, S. C., his headquarters. He will be independently employed, and the work will be highly remunerative. Mrs. McIver and children will live at Society Hill, S. C., Mrs. McIver's home, until next spring.

Tried to Enter Residence.

Mrs. Eva B. Register, No. 907 Chestnut street, telephoned the police station last night that some one was attempting to force an entrance into her residence. An officer was hastily sent to the scene, but the would-be intruder, who was described as a well dressed white man, had taken his departure. He attempted to force open the front door and only desisted when he heard Mrs. Register, on the inside, telephoning for a policeman.

Shipping Evergreens North.

Large quantities of holly, mistletoe and other Southern evergreens are now being shipped from this section to the North for Christmas decorations. Few people have any idea of the proportions of this industry around Wilmington and up the W. & W. railroad. Hundreds of car loads are shipped each year and remunerative prices are usually obtained.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

M. J. Corbett—Notice.
T. D. Love Company—For prices.
J. H. Taylor—New grocery store.
S. W. Sanders—Everything ready.
Atlantic Coast Line—Holiday rates.
Hardin's Pharmacy—We invite you

SEMINOLE IN PORT.

Revenue Cutter Back to Her Station After Annual Overhauling at Baltimore.

ARDUOUS WINTER CRUISE.

Dynamite Apparatus for Derelicts Dangerous to Navigation—Wireless Telegraphy May be Installed—Note of Thanks Received.

The United States Revenue Cutter "Seminole," Capt. Foley, which has just completed extensive repairs and a general overhauling at the works of the Baltimore Shipbuilding Company, arrived in port yesterday, very much improved in appearance and in splendid shape for the extensive Winter cruising embracing the large area of territory between Hatteras on the north and Savannah on the south, to which she was lately assigned by the Treasury Department. Capt. Foley and all the officers aboard ship expressed pleasure at getting back to Wilmington and were cordially received by their friends.

While the weather was rough on the way down, the cutter had a remarkably quick passage, arriving at Southport at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, just 36 hours after leaving Baltimore. While on dry dock in Baltimore the cutter had her bottom scraped and painted and other repairs made. An inspection board of U. S. Engineers also went over the machinery of the cutter and recommended some repairs to the boilers.

The "Seminole" has recently, in common with a number of ships of her class, had a dynamite equipment added for the proper handling of derelicts found dangerous to navigation in her territory. Heretofore when a derelict was found along the coast, it was necessary for the cutter to put back to some port to secure dynamite with which to blow the obstruction to pieces. Now a sufficient amount of dynamite is carried in a magazine aboard, so that no delay is necessary.

In this connection it will be of interest to recall that the Secretary of the Treasury in his recent annual report to Congress, recommended that ten of the cutters in the service be fitted with wireless telegraph instruments and that an operator, of course, be kept aboard. The equipment will cost the government about $19,000 but the advantages will be great. In case the recommendation of the Secretary is adopted the "Seminole" will certainly be one of the ships so equipped. In turn a wireless station would perhaps be established on nearly all of the light ships and at life saving stations throughout her territory.

A Note of Thanks.

Capt. D. P. Foley, of the United States Revenue Cutter "Seminole," which arrived in port yesterday, has received a copy of the following letter from Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, of the British Embassy at Washington, which speaks for itself and which, of course, is highly appreciated by Captain Foley and the staff of clever officers aboard his ship:

BRITISH EMBASSY.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5, 1904.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I have received through the Marquess of Landsowne a report from the British Vice-Consul at Wilmington, N. C., setting forth the circumstances under which most acceptable and efficient service was rendered by the U. S. Revenue Cutter "Seminole," commanded by Capt. D. P. Foley, to the British steamer "Janeta," while the latter was aground inside the Cape Fear bar on the 29th and the 30th of August last.

In forwarding this report, Lord Landsowne has directed me to convey through you to the proper authorities, the thanks of His Majesty's Government for the valuable assistance rendered on this occasion to the "Janeta" by Captain Foley.

I have the honor to be, with the highest consideration, sir, your most obedient, humble servant,
H. M. DURAND.

The Honorable John Hay, Secretary of State, etc., etc.

FACTS ABOUT XMAS 1904.

It Will Extend Over Three Days, According to Established Usages.

Christmas will extend over three days this year. Saturday will be Christmas eve, followed by Sunday and Christmas proper on Monday. While Sunday is Christmas day all the written and unwritten laws give the Monday following any holiday (when the holiday comes on Sunday) as the holiday itself.

All the banks, financial institutions, postoffice, custom house and municipal offices will be closed. A vast majority of the business houses of the city will be closed, together with the railroad (freight) depots.

Notes, bonds, etc., due and payable Dec. 25 will have to go over till Tuesday, Dec. 27, the law governing such transactions making that provision.

Hearing Before Referee.

Before Referee Eugene S. Martin yesterday morning at 11 o'clock there was a hearing of the case of City of Wilmington against ex Judge E. K. Bryan, involving the settlement of some old back tax matters, which have been in the courts for some time. City Attorney Bellamy and Messrs. Empie & Empie appear for the plaintiff, while Messrs. George Rountree and Bellamy & Bellamy appear for the defendant in the suit. The hearing was continued until Monday after hearing the evidence of Judge Bryan.

Just watch the display in the window and if you don't see what you want, you will find it inside. J. T. Burke, The Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. †

HONORED THE DEAD ENGINEER

Impressive Funeral Services in Grace Church Yesterday Morning Over Remains of Mr. Guilford F. Horne.

In the presence of a large concourse of friends, fellow employes and relatives impressive funeral services were conducted at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in Grace M. E. Church, Rev. R. B. John, presiding elder of the Wilmington District, and Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, officiating. Conspicuous among the large number of people present to pay a last sad mark of respect to the dead engineer, who died bravely at his post of duty, were members of Clarendon Lodge, No. 2, Knights of Pythias and a number of other Knights, who assembled at Castle Hall an hour before the service, and attended the obsequies in a body. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers also attended in a body and each of the organizations to which Mr. Horne belonged sent beautiful designs of floral offerings among a very large number contributed by friends and relatives.

The funeral hymns were rendered with beautiful effect by the Temple Quartette, composed of Messrs. Chas. McMillen, Brooke French, U. M. Robinson and H. K. Holden with Mr. E. H. Munson as accompanist. Mrs. J. D. Edwards also sang with much feeling, "Some Day, Some Time." The numbers by the Quartette were "Still, Still With Thee," and "Nearer to Thee."

At the grave in beautiful Oakdale cemetery whither the casket was borne after the services in the church, the Quartette sang "Christians Good Night and "Gathering Home."

The honorary pall-bearers were: Dr. W. J. Love, Mr. James Houston, Capt. Haywood Clark, Capt. John Walker, Mr. Thos. Torpy and Mr. W. J. Clemmons; active, Col. Walker Taylor, Dr. L. H. Love, Mr. J. D. Nutt, Mr. W. W. Hodges, Mr. W. J. Morris and Mr. I. E. Morris.

Mr. Wylie Horne, a brother of the deceased, arrived yesterday morning from Jacksonville, Fla., in time to attend the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Oldham, a daughter, arrived Wednesday midnight from Alabama to attend the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Horne, of Magnolia, had been here since the night of the accident.

FAMOUS BANISTER SHOES.

Grand Prize at St. Louis Exposition. Long Line of Awards.

Mr. R. P. Vroom, representative in the Southern States of James A. Banister & Co., of Newark, N. J., manufacturers of the celebrated Banister shoes, was in the city yesterday calling on Messrs. George R. French & Sons, who have the exclusive agency in Wilmington for that distinguished line of footwear and who are also jobbers of the same line in North and South Carolina.

The Banister shoes were recently awarded the grand prize for men's, boy's and youth's fine footwear at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, the exhibit having scored 99 out of a possible 100 points. Messrs. French & Sons have a large fac simile of the medal awarded in their show window on Front street. The same firm, which has been in existence since 1849, captured the honors at the Vienna Exposition in 1873, Philadelphia Centennial in 1876, New Orleans Exposition in 1884 and 1885 and at the World's Fair in 1893. Messrs. French & Sons have a big trade in Banister's not only in Wilmington but also over the two Carolinas.

COLORED DOCTOR HAS SMALLPOX.

Contracted Disease at House of One of His Patients—Another Quarantine.

Dr. Tdomas R. Mask, the well known colored physician, yesterday developed a case of smallpox, which was probably contracted at the home of D. W. Chesnut, colored, where he recently treated several cases of the disease. Dr. Mask was quarantined at his home, on Seventh, between Church and Castle streets, but will go of his own accord to the smallpox detention house to-day. He has a very sick boy at the house and desires to protect him from the disease as far as possible. Members of the family will remain quarantined at the residence.

J. L. Jackson, the colored shoemaker, also developed the disease yesterday and was quarantined with several members of his family at 706 Red Cross street. Later he was sent to the pest house.

Before the Mayor.

Half dozen or more unimportant cases were disposed of by the Mayor yesterday. Wash Smith, a colored youth who with Ed Faison was arrested by Policeman Croom for throwing stones in the street, failed to put in an appearance and a capias for him was issued. Faison was fined $5 and costs. Lizzie Carroll, colored, against whom a charge of larceny by trick had been preferred by a sailor, was discharged, the sailor having failed to put in an appearance.

The Market off.

The cotton market yesterday showed signs of weakening. New York spot went off the 15 points gained the day before, closing at 8c. for middling and the future market was likewise off several points. The Wilmington market remained steady at 7½c. with receipts of 1080 bales against only 679 same day last season.

Saleladies wanted—S. H. Kress & Co., 5 and 10c. store. †

COUNTY PENSIONERS.

Warrants from State Auditor Received by Clerk of the Court Yesterday.

$1,430 IS TOTAL AMOUNT.

Many of Fourth Class, Others of Second and Third—Now Ready for Distribution—Names of Beneficiaries and Classes They Belong.

Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, yesterday received from State Auditor B. F. Dixon warrants for New Hanover county's Confederate pensioners, the aggregate amount of which is $1,430. The warrants are now ready for distribution and those entitled to receive them are requested to call at the office and receipt for the same. The list for New Hanover is composed of 33 widows of soldiers, all of the fourth class, who receive $14 per year each; three soldiers of the second class who receive $45 each; five soldiers of the third class who receive $35 each and 47 of the fourth class who receive only $14 each. The list of the beneficiaries is as follows:

Widows—Rachel Aldrich, Mary J. Blackwell, Ellen J. Brantley, Sarah P. Bowden, Elizabeth E. Bland, Elizabeth Carroll, Lucy A. Cowles, Sely J. Carieret, Carolina Davis, M. C. Davidson, Mary A. Deans, Adeline Gray, Mary F. Gore, Susan S. Herring, Sarah E. Humphrey, Margaret Holmes, Rachael Jones, Mary J. Jones, Elizabeth Kerr, Nancy J. King, Louis C. Mason, Sarah Mathyus, Nancy E. Mathews, Emma E. Piner, Martha A. Potter, Elizabeth Jane Russ, M. A. M. Sellars, Mary Ann Smith, Sarah Jane Stephens, Frances M. Sellars, Kizzie Taylor, Margaret C. Turney and Sarah E. White.

Soldiers—M. T. Davis, James E. Kelly and W. B. Wells, of the second class; John A. Farrow, J. W. Gray, Peter B. Smith, Wm. M. Stevenson and B. O. Watson, of the third class; Doctor L. Britt, Elias Bass, Wm. Blackman, Kinyon Carroll, T. E. Clarke, John W. Crandel, Robert Chadwick, J. J. Canady, J. D. Dowdy, W. H. Darden, Aaron R. Davis, Chas. D. English, James B. Farrar, S. S. Garrison, Jacob W. Garrison, J. C. Grey, John E. A. Grisson, James H. Hicks, S. B. Hankins, Robert Johnson, James M. King, Daniel C. Kelly, D. C. Littleton, Henry C. Lumsden, J. T. McIver, Archibald Odom, J. H. Porter, J. G. Rackley, J. C. Reville, W. W. Rivenbark, J. F. A. Reaves, Samuel Rowan, Rufus Register, Samuel J. Sneeden, Robert J. Sykes, W. W. Skinner, Wm. M. Skipper, Rufus G. Strickland, J. L. Sellars, John J. Turner, Louis Taylor, Wm. L. Wilkins, W. H. Williams, James P. Walker, J. P. Wallace, Alexander Wells and George W. Woodcock.

EVENTS AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Junior Social This Afternoon—Basket Ball To-night—Oyster Roast at Sound.

The Junior members of the Y. M. C. A., are to be pleasantly entertained this afternoon from 4 to 6 by the Junior social committee which has prepared a splendid programme of music, games and refreshments. Tickets are being distributed by several of the members and their friends. These can be secured at the office by any member from Mr. Arnold who has several left. There will be a large attendance as the last social proved so pleasant to those who attended.

There will be two games of basket ball to-night in the Association gymnasium. The games will be between the teams of Captains Loughlin and McGeachy and Ferd Duls and Milton Gore. Each team has won one game and there will be a great effort made to clinch this one as it means much towards the winning the championship for the first half of the season. The teams will line up as follows: Loughlin—Guards, Haines and Quinn; center, Loughlin; goal, L. VonGlahn and James. McGeachy—Guards, McGeachy and McGowan; center, Geo. Crow; goal, O'Keef and W. C. Smith. The game will begin at 8:30 sharp. The admission will be 10 cents. Umpires, Dr. Harper and Chas. Dushan; Referee, A. C. Boney.

A car has been chartered by the Association Membership Committee to take those who recently joined the Association and those who were instrumental in securing them to do so to the sound on Saturday night to enjoy an oyster roast. Mr. Dushan went down to the sound recently and made all arrangements, and all who go are sure to have a good time. About fifty will go.

F. B. HAYNE ON SITUATION.

Attacks Government Cotton Estimate and Urges Farmers to Hold Fast.

NEW ORLEANS, December 11.—The Times-Democrat will to-day publish a careful analysis of the cotton situation from the pen of Frank B. Hayne, the big bull operator who was the central figure in the market last year and who is supposed to have endeavored to stem the decline this year. The analysis attacks the accuracy of the Government report and that of the Times-Democrat, which so closely approximated it. It sustains the estimate of Theodore H. Price of some days ago, of something more than 11,100,000 bales.

Taking up the market condition, he further undertakes to prove that, granting the accuracy of the Government estimate, the present prices of cotton are far below the true value of the staple. He pins his faith to 10c cotton.

In conclusion Mr. Hayne urges the farmers of the South to hold cotton until such time as the approximate value at least should be received.

—The Christmas german of L'Ariego German Club will be danced Wednesday night Dec. 28th, and L'Agile german Friday night, 30th.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. K. Morrisey, of Clinton, is at The Orton.

— Mr. A. J. McLeod, of Rowland, N. C., arrived last night.

— Capt. D. T. McNeill, of Conway, S. C., arrived last night.

— Mr. A. J. Crampton, of Charlotte, was among yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. R. S. Atkinson, postmaster at Sloop Point, N. C., was here yesterday.

— Mr. H. L. Lyon, a prominent young lawyer of Whiteville, was here yesterday.

— Mr. A. M. McNeill, of Elizabethtown, arrived last night and is a guest at The Orton.

— Among yesterday's arrivals was Mr. Thos. Wilson, the well known railroad president of South Carolina.

— Mr. Max Liebowitz, a prominent silk merchant of New York, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. R. Loewenstein.

— Messrs. M. B. McAulay and O. L. Clark, of Clarkton, arrived on the late Carolina Central train last night.

— Mrs. J. O. Castleberry, of Atlanta, is in the city, the guest of her brother, Mr. T. H. Thompson, No. 320 North Seventh street.

— Misses Bessie and Elovine Burruss have returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Burruss Corprew at their home near Norfolk.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Mrs. W. W. Holiday, of Savannah, Ga., spent yesterday in the city, en route to Wilmington."

— Major J. L. Coker, of Hartsville, S. C., one of the wealthiest and most progressive men of his State, is in Wilmington as the guest of Mr. J. W. Norwood.

— Mrs. D. P. Foley, Mrs. Hinckley and Mrs. B. M. Chiswell returned from Baltimore yesterday on the Revenue Cutter "Seminole," accompanying their husbands.

— Miss Nellie Cook returned yesterday noon from Maxton, N. C., where she went to attend the funeral of her nephew, John H. Cook, Esq., who died on Tuesday and was buried Wednesday.

— United States Postoffice Inspector S. H. Buck, of Atlanta, arrived last night. Mr. Buck said there was nothing new in the case of the negro money order swindlers who will shortly be transferred here from Georgia and Kentucky for trial in the Federal Court.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Masters James and Thomas Farmer came up from Wilmington this morning to join their mother, Mrs. J. B. Farmer. Mrs. Farmer and sons leave in a few days for Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. Farmer is now in business."

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the Universe to remove from our midst the soul of our beloved brother, John Homer Gore, Jr.

"Resolved, That we will cherish his memory and reflect upon his many good qualities (as exemplary and worthy of emulation; that we bow to the will of our Divine Maker while bemoaning the loss of our brother.

"Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the record of this Lodge and a page thereof be dedicated to his memory.

"Resolved, That a copy hereof be sent to the family of our deceased brother and to the Carolina Pythian and local papers for publication.

A. S. HOLDEN,
ROBT. S. COLLINS,
J. M. TAYLOR,
Committee.

Adopted unanimously by rising vote at the regular meeting of Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., held in Pythian Castle Hall, Wednesday night, December 14th, 1904.

New Weed Plant.

Whiteville News: "A new enterprise is being erected on the Whiteville Lumber Co.'s railroad, just below their mill at Vineland, which will be an entirely new industry for this county. The Weed Distilling and Manufacturing Company, a corporation composed of Northern capitalists, are putting in machinery there for manufacturing turpentine, oil and paving blocks, using as a material from which to manufacture these products lightwood stumps which are taken from the fields and woods by means of a large stump puller, which machine is operated by steam power. We learn that there is ample capital behind the enterprise and that the plant is expected to be in operation by January 1st."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

We Cordially Invite

You to inspect our Holiday stock. We are showing a very complete assortment of high grade Perfumery, Celluloid Brushes and Combs and other toilet articles. There is nothing more appropriate for Holiday Gifts than choice perfumery. The lady who uses elegant perfumery secures an additional charm—because it is the unusual that attracts. Anticipating the pleasure of a call from those interested,

I remain, Yours respectfully,

Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

P. S.—See window display. dec 16 tf

NEW GROCERY STORE

14 MARKET STREET,

Between Front and Water.

Fresh Fruits of all kinds

Oranges, Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Raisins and Mixed Nuts.

Turkeys, Chickens and Eggs just from the country.

Fox River Butter. North Carolina Hams. Give me a trial.

J. HARGROVE TAYLOR.

Telephone 1022. de 16 tf

The C. W. Polvogt Co.

NO. 9 NORTH FRONT ST.

THE CHRISTMAS STORE,

TIMELY HINTS FOR CHRISTMAS TIDE.

Your Christmas Shopping: 'Twere well 'twere done quickly.

Not only because you will then have time to think of everybody you want to remember, and will not be likely to forget some particular friend in the rush at the end, But because you can get exactly what you want, in the uncrowded hour, before the hurry begins; satisfy yourself, as well as the givee; and, as a rule, save money by not having desperate recourse, at last, to more expensive and less appropriate gifts.

The moral—of yearly repetition—is: Begin your Christmas buying early.

And "Polvogt's" is the Christmas store.

We have the largest assortment of Dolls in the City—Full assortment of Toilet sets, Shaving Sets, &c. &c.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

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50c, 75c, $1.00.

Bananas, Bananas Bananas.

Why not eat Bananas during the holidays when you can buy Fancy 8-hand bunches at $1.00? Extra 8-hand bunches at 75c. Good 7-hand bunches at 50c per bunch from

J. S. FUNCHESS & CO.,
108 North Water street, Wilmington, N. C.

P. S.—We have car in transit of eastern New York Danish Cabbage which we are expecting every day and will sell at closest prices.

dec 14 tf J. S. F. & Co.

Suggestions for Xmas.

A Dinner Set.
A Toilet Set.
A Chocolate Set.
A Fish Set.
A Lamp.
An Umbrella Stand.
A Jardineer.
A Fancy Vase.
A Piece of Cut Glass.

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State of North Carolina,
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W. B. Thorpe
vs.
Coal, Cement & Supply Company.

Notice is hereby given to all of the creditors of the Coal, Cement & Supply Company to present their claims, properly itemized and sworn to, to me on or before the 31st of January, 1905, or they will be barred from any participation in the distribution of the assets of the above named defendant.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1904.
M. J. CORBETT, Receiver.

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State of North Carolina,
County of New Hanover.
H. L. Vollers who sues in behalf of himself and all other creditors of the Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company,
vs.
Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company.

By direction of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover County made in the above entitled cause, notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Cape Fear & People's Steamboat Company to present and make due proof of their claims before the undersigned on or before January 2, 1905, or they will be barred and precluded from participating in the distribution of the assets of the above named company.

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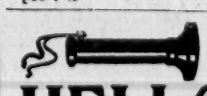

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FRIDAY MORNING, DEC 16.

WHITE LABOR FOR THE SOUTH.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, at the last session of Congress, introduced a bill which has for its aim the diversion of immigration to the South. At the present session he is pushing the measure, and no doubt it or some other bill will pass, as the Department of Commerce and Labor is interested in a plan to distribute to the various sections of the United States the foreign people who are coming to America by the thousands.

The Baltimore Sun of Wednesday says in an editorial:

According to Washington dispatches a plan is under consideration to divert immigration to the South. It is proposed that the Federal government assist in the project. The movement, it is stated, was launched in the Department of Commerce and Labor this week, when a number of railroad passenger agents had a consultation with the Commissioner of Immigration, Mr. F. P. Sargeant. This official suggests that in the future the Government control, by moral suasion, the movement of aliens after their arrival in American ports, with the purpose of sending them to the sections which will prove most advantageous to them. They will be informed that there is a growing demand for foreign labor in the South, particularly in the Gulf States; that the negro labor there is in many respects inadequate and that immigrants have a better chance to succeed in the South than in the great cities of the East and West, where there is a congestion of population and a harder struggle for existence.

It is certainly within the power of the Government to give aliens advice as to the sections which afford them the best opportunities for employment. That immigrants of a desirable class would do well in the South and that they would be welcomed there is not be doubted in the least. In an article in the current number of the North American Review Mr. William Garrett Brown, of Alabama, formerly lecturer on American history at Harvard, presents the results of an extended investigation into industrial and economic conditions in the South. Mr. Brown points out that in Arkansas Italians have achieved remarkable success as tenant farmers, and also on the sugar plantations of Louisiana. Large German colonies in Texas, Alabama and other Southern States are in a flourishing condition. Bohemian settlers have established homes for themselvs and are making headway. Recently the Italian Ambassador to the United States has heartily indorsed an organized movement to divert Italian immigration to the South. A new line of steamers is now landing immigrants at New Orleans. On the whole, the time now seems to be ripe for a diversion of the desirable class of immigrants to the Southern States, and if the Government should see fit to exercise its influence to this end there is no doubt that good might be accomplished. The South needs agricultural labor in addition to its present supply. It will soon need more labor for its industries. It realizes this fact and it will welcome additions to its population of honest and industrious immigrants from those classes of Europeans who are most readily assimiliated. The movement initiated by Commissioner Sargeant is an interesting one, and it also seems to be a worthy one.

The Washington Post on Wednesday, also discusses this question, and says editorially:

Our Southern friends are embarking upon a strange, uncharted sea. In organizing for the purpose of securing European immigrants for their fields and mines and factories, they launch the bark of their civilization in waters of which they have neither knowledge nor experience. We hope the best for them.

It is to be said for the venture, however, that it seems to be the inevitable Negro labor, long the Southern preference—perhaps still the preference—has of late years grown more and more inadequate. From one cause or another, which we fancy might be identified without much trouble, the negro has developed a steadily increasing distaste for agricultural pursuits and a corresponding incapacity for those requiring skill, intelligence and character. The "educated" blacks want to be lawyers, orators and politicians, while the uneducated drift from the farms to congregate in cities. Some fever in their blood—some vague but radiant dream of exaltation—turns them from the simple occupations in which they have hitherto found independence. And so, the employers in the Southern States have yielded, though in most cases with reluctance, to conditions they can no longer ignore or control. The movement for European immigration has been inaugurated.

How it will affect the South, some prophet must arise to tell us. If we could hope that the stream of population were to be composed of Scandinavian, Teutonic, and Anglo-Saxon elements, the future would be easy to forecast. There is little chance of this, however; nor do we see much reason to expect that the South will receive, even from Italian, Slav, and other alien sources, the better and more desirable classes. We do not believe that the agricultural peasantry of Southern Europe will emigrate in considerable numbers, and our fear is that we shall receive as the result of this new enterprise the same material now on exhibition in the mines, factories, and slums of the North. If such should be the case, the last condition of our Southern friends will be worse than the first, and the social problems of the section will be multiplied and intensified beyond all computation.

But it is an unavoidable venture. The Southern negroes—the most satisfactory unskilled laborers possible or imaginable under the peculiar circumstances—can no longer be depended on in the equation of the South's industrial development. The proprietors, the employers, the wage-payers cannot sit down inert, while the structure falls in ruins on their heads. What causes have brought about this emergency we need not now consider. Let us hope, though, that the negroes, who must be the chief victims of the new dispensation, will be cared for by those who have mislead them with false hopes.

This question of immigration, owing to the shortness of the labor supply in the South, is receiving a good deal of attention in all our States. A year ago the South Carolina Legislature enacted a bill under which an immigration agent was appointed to secure settlers for that State. He is successfully performing his duties and no doubt the people of South Carolina will be pleased with his efforts.

North Carolina, through the State Department of Agriculture, is also giving considerable attention to the question, and no doubt the Legislature at its next session will adopt some measure to secure North Carolina's share of immigration. As the question is now uppermost in all parts of our State, the remarks by the Sun and the Post will be read with interest.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—"God save the young men *from stylish women," says* Vicar General Fox, of Trenton. Might substitute "old bankers" for "young men."—Washington Post.

—The Mormon practice of divorcing persons after death seems to be as much wasted effort as sending Democrats to the electoral college.—Washington Post.

—The assurance that President Roosevelt means well reminds us of the story of the boy who remarked "Dad is a very good man in his way, but it's a darn poor way."—Richmond News Leader.

—We find ourselves in good company in our advocacy of the whipping post for wife beaters. The Washington Post insists that this is the most effective remedy and the Post is generally level headed.—Salisbury Sun.

—Senator Lodge states the Administration is not aiming at Government ownership of the Philipine railroads. By the Government's guaranteeing 5 per cent. on investments of this kind it looks as if the ownership would be directly the reverse.—Baltimore Sun.

—In a Hartford (Conn.) court two sentences were imposed the other day. An ex-judge for embezzling trust funds to the amount of $5,572 was sentenced to one year in jail, and another man was sentenced to two and a half years in the State prison for stealing a horse.—Nashville Banner.

—The discovery that Mr. Burnett, the United Stotes District Attorney in New York city, has been drawing in fees and salary a greater remuneration from the government during the past six years than than the President of the United States, seems to have given Attorney General Moody a considerable jolt.—New Orleans State.

—"Is this Miss De Muir?" "Yes, sir. Pray be seated." "Thank you. Miss De Muir, I am Mr. Hoppendyke. I wish to ask you what your intentions are in permitting my son to dance attendance upon you six evenings in the week."—Chicago Tribune.

A HELPING HAND

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TWINKLINGS.

—"Is she really so aristocratic?" "Oh, yes." "What makes you so sure of it?" "Because she's so very polite to everybody.—Detroit Free Press.

—"But he's still an employe of the railroad company at good wages, isn't he?" "Gracious! No. He's an official now and draws a salary."—Philadelphia Press.

—The Lover: "You see, ma and pa are opposed to me, but the girl isn't." Friend: "You're all right. You're going to be elected by an overwhelming minority."—Smart Set.

—Mrs. Kicker—"Why did you leave your last mistress?" Bridget—"Begobs, did you ixpect me to take her along wid me?"—New York Sun.

—Little Clara—Mother, tell me a fairy story. Mrs. Gayboy (glancing at the clock)—Wait until your father comes home, dear, and he will tell us both one.—Cincinnati Tribune.

—Grayce: They tell me she's not a bit pretty. What does she look like, anyhow? Gladys—Well, my dear, she resembles you as much as anybody I know.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—Edyth: I'm surprised to hear of your engagement to old Bullyon. Was he the only man with sand enough to propose? Mayme: Oh, no; but he was the only one with rocks enough to interest me.—Chicago News.

—Mr. Kloseman—My dear, I'm afraid that sealskin sack I promised you——. Mrs. Kloseman—That's enough, John; you promised it and —— Mr. Kloseman—But we've got to economize. You must make some sacrifice. Mrs. Kloseman (determinedly)—Yes, but it won't be a sealskin sack-rifice—Philadelphia Press.

—No department or the national administration "pays its way" quite so manfully as does the Department of Agriculture. Congress has recognized this fact in liberal appropriations. In the Bureau of Forestry alone, according to Secretary Wilson's report, these appropriations have permitted in six years a sixteenfold increase in the working force and a twelvefold increase in expenditures. Yet a single discovery made by the bureau, and now applied to the production of turpentine, is effecting an annual saving equal to the total expenditure of the bureau for six years. The department is the farmers' Aladin's lamp. Rub it and its genius produces anything called for.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

—Raleigh correspondence of the Charlotte Observer: The penitentiary authorities at Raleigh expect to bring back from the State farm on the Roanoke river about 250 convicts before the year ends. The Raleigh & Pamlico Sound Railway desires to secure at least 200 of these for construction work, and it is probable will do so. Of course there are many demands for convict labor, which is considered so highly desirable because so well trained and so thoroughly managed. The Raleigh & Pamlico Sound road wishes to do a great amount of work during the coming year. By the early Spring all the heavy grading will have been completed.

—The first glass was turned out by the Fred Ecker Glass Works at High Point on Tuesday. The Standard Furniture Company was the purchaser, it having been silvered that morning. The factory has been in operation several days, but did not finish any plates until Tuesday. Three mirror factories are now in full operation at High Point and all are doing well—The Pittsburg Plate Glass Company, Standard Mirror Works and the Fred Ecker Glass Work.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once, and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Dock Golden, a young man aged 22, died at Marion on Wednesday from injuries caused by jumping from a train in motion.

—Miss Anna Belle Roberts, who attempted to end her own life at Aberdeen last Sunday, is no better, and fears for the worst are in evidence.

—A report from Pittsboro says the condition of Mortimer Brooks, the New York millionaire who was shot on a hunting expedition, continues favorable and it is thought that he will recover.

—Capt. J. W. Clark, formerly proprietor of the Buford House at Charlotte, and other hotels in North Carolina, died at Union, S. C., December 13th. He was a native of Isle of Wight county, Va., and was 73 years of age.

—Will Allison, colored, was arrested and put in jail at Statesville on Wednesday morning for criminal assault Tuesday on Maggie Brandon, the 8 year-old daughter of Will Brandon, also colored, who lives in the Belmont section, about two miles east of Statesville.

—The Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh has received a check from the North Carolina Conference for $2,359. It had previously received as a Thanksgiving offering $1,700. This week 14 more chidren have been received there and assigned quarters in the new building, which is being rapidly fitted up.

—Salisbury Sun: And the North Carolina Baptists, too, have called for more stringent divorce laws. The churches appear to be a unit on this question and since church members are by an overwhelming majority in control of the legislature it is reasonable to assume that this matter will be conspicuous among other things that are to engage the attention of our legislators.

—Mrs. Eliza M. Hedrick, who died a few days ago in Davidson county, agreeable to the wishes of her husband and herself, left by will, all their property, consisting of personal property and about 500 acres of good land situated in Davidson county, for church purposes. Holly Grove church gets $500 of this sum, and the remainder is willed to Lenoir College, Hickory, N. C. The college will probably fall heir to $3,000. Mrs. Hedrick was a devoted member of the Lutheran church.

—Edward Morgan, the alleged leader of bank robbers and safeblowers, who, with his wife, was arrested at Baltimore on Tuesday, was identified Wednesday as having been seen loitering around Mount Airy, Carroll county, last Thursday, when the attempt was made to blow the safe of the bank of that place. His picture, known as 326, is held by the postoffice authorities. Morgan, whose real name is said to be Edward Johnson, alias Borgan, served three years in the Moundsville, W. Va., penitentiary for being implicated in the robbery of the Bramwell, W. Va., postoffice in March, 1899, and is now under indictment by the United States authorities for robbing the Plymouth, N. C., postoffice in June, 1898.

—Mount Olive Tribune: A negro man, William Sanders, was shot at Dudley on Tuesday morning by Mr. Badger Bowden and Mr. Mike King, mayor and policeman, respectively, of the village. It seems that the negro was drunk, and was arrested by the two officers for carryiug a concealed weapon. After the pistol had been taken from the negro, he ran and was pursued and shot by Messrs. Bowden and King, one ball lodging in his shoulder and one in the thigh. Sanders was taken to Goldsboro Tuesday afternoon and placed in the county jail. It is not thought that his wounds will result seriously. There seemed to be little or no provocation for the shooting of the negro, and the officers are being severely criticised for their action. While being pursued the negro fell into a ditch and was wet all over. With two bullets holes in him, it is said that he lay in this condition for several hours without aid or attention.

—A special to the Charlotte Observer under date of New York, Dec. 14th, says: Friends of Jas. E. Wilcox, who is serving a 30 year term in the State prison at Raleigh, N. C., for the murder of Ella Cropsey, are making an effort to procure his pardon from the newly elected Governor of the State and the girl's relatives in this city are aroused. That Wilcox's family has strong political influence causes the Cropseys to fear the young murderer may be freed. Andrew C. Cropsey, a lawyer, of this city, and uncle of the murdered girl is about to go to North Carolina and do all he can to keep the murderer of his beautiful neice in prison. "The mere thought," said Mr. Cropsey to-day, "that Jim Wilcox may get out of jail when he has put in only one year of the thirty he was sentenced to serve, is enough to drive me distracted. If ever a man deserved to be hung it was that fellow. That he killed my niece was proved twice. Now Jim Wilcox's friends are working hard to get him pardoned. I will appeal to Mr. Glenn's sense of right and justice and if necessary we will get up a petition containing thousands of names of people living in the vicinity of Elizabeth City protesting against the release of the murderer. If Jim Wilcox serves one day less than thirty years for his crime there is no such thing as justice."

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—133 bales cotton, 32 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—20 bales cotton, 6 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—782 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 10 barrels rosin, 21 barrels tar, 36 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—130 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels rosin, 2 barrels tar.

Steamer Whitlock—8 casks spirits turpentine, 104 barrels rosin, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Sanders—15 bales cotton, 54 barrels rosin.

Total—1,080 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 173 barrels rosin, 61 barrels tar, 50 barrels crude turpentine.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, December 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 47c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $3.45 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $3.30 per barrel for hard, $3.60 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 55c; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.70; crude turpentine firm at $2.30@3.70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	30
Rosin	172
Tar	61
Crude turpentine	50

Receipts same day last year—27 casks spirits turpentine, 72 barrels rosin, 78 barrels tar, 79 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 7¼c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market steady at 12c for middling.

Receipts—1,080 bales; same day last year, 699.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c. Spanish, 80@85c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, 11c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 15@25c.

TURKEYS—Market dull.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 3@3c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Money on call was quoted steady at 2¾@3 per cent.; closing bid 2¾ per ct; offered 3 per ct.; time loans easy and dull: sixty days 3¾ per ct.; ninety days 3¾ per cent; six months 3¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¼@4¾ per ct. Sterling exchange closed strong; actual business in bankers' bills 487.45@487.50 for demand and 484.45@484.50 for sixty day bills. Posted rates were 485@485¼ and 488. Commercial bills 484¼. Bar silver 60¾. Mexican dollars 48¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104½; do. coupon, 104½; U. S. 3's, registered, 104½; do. coupon, 104¾; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 130¾; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 131; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 105¾; do. coupon, 106¾; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 99¾; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 104¼; Norfolk & Western consol 4's —; Seaboard Air Line 4's 83½; Southern Railway 5's, 119¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 95; Chesapeake & Ohio 46¾; Manhattan L 162¾; New York Central 136½; Reading 77¾; do. 1st pref'd, 89; do. 2nd pref'd 81; Southern Railway 33¾; do. pref'd 95¼; Amalgamated Copper 64¾; People's Gas 105¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 67¾; U. S. Leather 16¼; U. S. Leather preferred, 101¾; Western Union 92¾; U. S. Steel 37⅝; do. preferred 88⅝; Mexican Central 20¾; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 40¼; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 112; sales — shares. Standard, Oil 632.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 17¾@17¾; do. preferred, 37; do. bonds, fours, —. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 151@152.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Rosin quiet. Strained common to good $2 80@2 82½. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 15.—Spirits turpentine—nothing doing. Rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 15.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 47½c; receipts 402 casks; sales 295 casks; exports 335 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 2,614 barrels; sales 2,955 bbls; exports 37 bbls. A, B, C, $2 47½; D, $2 50; E, $2 52½; F, $2 55; G, $2 60; H $2 77½; I, $3 25; K, $3 90; M, $4 30; N, $4 50; W G, $4 75; W W, $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—The cotton market was very quiet with prices working downward under local bear pressure and selling apparently from New Orleans sources, which was taken to mean less satisfactory "spot" conditions. The market opened steady at an advance of one point on April, but generally one to four points lower, which was rather better than due on the showing of the Liverpool future market. Quotations were four points lower there at the hour of the local opening when an advance of one point was expected. But the English spot market showed relative steadiness and early advices from the South indicating continued stability among interior holders; and there was some support here that was accelerated apparently by reports that a certain person connected with the census department had made a statement to the effect that the government estimate of the crop was much too high. But prices only went up a point or two from the opening figures when supporting orders were withdrawn and during the remainder of the day the tone was generally easy with fluctuations irregular but in the main downward. The close was steadied a point or so by room covering but showed a net loss of ten to sixteen points. Sales were estimated at 150,000 bales. During the late trading some messages received from New Orleans reported weakening among Southern spot holders and as much of the selling here during the last hour came from brokers with Southern connections it was generally believed that New Orleans was selling possibly for both accounts. The official advices from the South, however, indicated generally steady spot prices, though business reported was very light. Interior receipts for the day were light, but port receipts were fairly liberal while exports again were full.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton—The market was quiet at 8.00c; net receipts 889 bales; gross receipts — bales; stock 91,912 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 15 points lower; middling uplands 8.00c; middling gulf 8.25c; sales 1,357 bales.

Futures market closed steady: December 7.55, January 7.61, February 7.69, March 7.78, April 7.84, May 7.89, June 7.95, July 8.00, August 8.00, October 7.95.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 57,001 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,413 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 9,565 bales; exports to Japan 2,745 bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 1,025,455 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 298,956 bales; exports to Great Britain 117,816 bales; exports to France 15,150 bales; exports to Continent 131,205 bales; exports to Japan 5,287 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,377,888 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,872,823 bales; exports to France 390,603 bales; exports to the Continent 1,418,384 bales; exports to Japan 43,375 bales; exports to Mexico 12,364 bales.

Dec 15.—Galveston, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 15,885 bales; Norfolk, nominal, net receipts 2,182 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¾c net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 8.15c, net receipts 1,057 bales; Wilmington, nominal, net receipts 1,080 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8.25c, net receipts 50 bales; Savannah, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 8,383 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 7 9-16c, net receipts 17,604 bales; Mobile, easy at 7 7-16c, net receipts 3,460 bales; Memphis, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 2,699 bales; Augusta, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 1,633 bales; Charleston, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 274 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Flour was dull but steady. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red $1 18. Options closed ¼@½c net higher; May closed $1 12 7-16; July closed $1 03½; December closed $1 17 Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 62c. Options closed ¼c net higher: May closed 51c; December closed 55¼c. Oats—Spot easy; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 34½@35¼c. Lard steady. Cheese firm; State, small, colored 12c; September, white, 11¾c. Eggs steady; State, Pennsylvania and nearby, selected white extra fancy 38@40c; Southern 32@30c. Potatoes steady; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 75@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 50; Jersey sweets $2 00@3 25. Butter quiet; creamery, common to extra 17@27½c; State dairy 15@25c. Cabbages steady; flat Dutch, per 100, $2@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 15@20c. Peanuts quiet; fancy handpicked 5¼@5½; other domestic grades 3¼@5¼c. Tallow steady. Pork steady. Rice steady. Molasses steady. Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm. Cotton seed oil was steady, with business fair at prices: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 17c; prime summer yellow 25@25½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 28@29c; winter yellow 29c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Decreased movement of wheat, both Northwest and Southwest, caused a strong market here to-day. At the close May delivery was up ½@¾c. Corn and oats both show a gain of ½c. Provisions are up a shade to 15c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cash prices: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 05@1 14; No. 3 spring 98c@$1 13; No. 2 red $1 11½@1 14½. Corn—No. 2 45¾@46c; No. 3 yellow 45½@45¾c. Oats—No. 2 29½c; No. 2 white, 31@31½; No. 3 white 29@31½. Rye—No. 2 73. Mess pork, per bbl., $11 25@11 35. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 62½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 25@6 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no market report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 62½@6 75. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 24.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December $1 07 1 07½, 1 07¼, 1 07, 1 07⅜; May $1 09⅝@1 09¾, 1 11, 1 09⅝, 1 10⅝; July 98¾@98½, 99½, 98¾@98½, 98¾@98¾. Corn—December 45@45½, 46, 45, 45½; May 44¾@44⅝, 45¾, 44¾@44¾, 45c; July 45, 45⅝@45¾, 45, 45⅝@45¾c. Oats—December 28¾, 29½, 28¾, 29¼; May 30¾@30⅝, 31¾, 30¾, 31⅛; July 30⅝@30¾, 31@31½, 30⅝@30¾, 31@31½c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $12 40, 12 55, 12 40, 12 55; May $12 75, 12 90, 12 73½, 12 90. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $6 85, 6 87½, 6 85, 6 87½; May $7 10, 7 15, 7 07½, 7 15. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 45, 6 50, 6 43½, 6 50; May $6 75, 6 80, 6 72½, 6 80.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8½c; mild firm; Cordova 10@13c. The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance and was finally steady with all months 5 points higher, except November. Sales 123,750 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—Cotton: Spot, in moderate demand; prices one point higher; American middling fair 4.62d; good middling 4.38d; middling 4.28d; low middling 4.16d; good ordinary 4.02d; ordinary 3.86d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,500 bales American. Receipts none.

Futures opened quiet and closed barely steady; American middling (g o c): December 4.16d; December and January 4.16d; January and February 4.20d; February and March 4.24d; March and April 4.28d; April and May 4.30d; May and June 4.33d; June and July 4.35d; July and August 4.37d; August and September 4.36d; September and October 4.35d; October and November 4.35d.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 16.

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Anne Lord, 246 tons, Russell, C D Maffitt.

Madalene Cooney, 624 tons, Hunter, C D Maffitt.

Eliza J Pendleton, 672 tons, Dodge, C D Maffitt.

Carrie A Bucknam, 236 tons, Torrey, J T Riley.

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Mussalcrag, (Br) 1,871 tons, Robinson, Heide & Co.

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RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$447,766 68
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00
Demand Loans	33,380 0
Due from Banks and Bankers	17,904 18
Cash items	6,551 83
Gold coin	50 00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	134 85
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	799 00
Total	$506,138 17

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$50,000 00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	15,585 73
Deposits subject to check	406,326 44
Demand certificates of deposit	32,005 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	541 00
Accrued interest due depositors	3,000 00
Total	$506,138 17

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss:

I Milton Calder, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MILTON CALDER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of November, 1904.

S. M. BOATWRIGHT, Notary Public.

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BANNS OF MARRIAGE.

A Custom That Dates Back to the Primitive Christian Church.

The custom of publishing the banns of marriage date back to the primitive church for Tertullian, who died A. D. 240, states that warning of intended marriages was given among the early Christians.

It appears that the publication of banns was habitual in many places long before there was any general law on the subject, since Gregory IV. (1198-1216) speaks of the banns (from Latin bannum, a proclamation; Anglo-Saxon, ban) being given out in church, according to custom. The practice was introduced into France about the ninth century and in 1176 was enforced in the diocese of Paris.

The earliest enactment on the subject in England was an order made in the synod of Westminster in 1200 to the effect that no marriage should be celebrated till the banns had been published in the church on three several Sundays or feast days. This rule was made obligatory throughout the church by the fourth Lateran council held in Rome in 1215. By act of parliament banns must now be given out in England on three Sundays.—London Answers.

THE MAGNOLIA.

In the Himalayas Are Found the Most Magnificent Specimens.

The magnolia, so called from Pierre Magnol, professor of botany at Montpellier in the seventeenth century, is a genus embracing fourteen species of remarkably handsome shrubs deliciously scented and far more hardy than is commonly supposed. They are very widely distributed in China, Japan and the Himalayas and in Mexico and the United States.

The old world species seem to have been the earliest cultivated, the Chinese preserving the buds as well as using them medicinally and to season their rice. The purple flowered Japanese plant was discovered by Kœmpfer in 1690 and introduced into England in 1709. The Himalayas possess three varieties, among them the most magnificent of all, Magnolia Campbelli, a conspicuous object in the scenery of Darjeeling, eighty feet high, twelve feet in girth, with flowers ten inches across.

North America has given many distinct varieties, among them the cucumber or umbrella tree, the beaver tree and the favorite Magnolia grandiflora.

THE SPANISH NOVIO.

A Gallant Who Rarely Weds the Maiden He Attends.

A Spanish maiden who is in the least attractive is always attended by a young man. He is called her novio, and it is his privilege to accompany her on her walks, though of course always with either her mother or a maid to play propriety. His courtship seldom ends in his becoming engaged to the young lady, but while it lasts she has to be obedient and loyal to him.

If he should transfer his affections to another fair damsel, the slighted one has no redress, for he is quite at liberty to do so, their friendship never being regarded in the light of a formal engagement. Marriages are settled by the heads of the two families chiefly concerned, and until such an arrangement is made the young Spaniard may be novio to as many girls as he likes, one after another. This custom has certainly more advantages for the men than it has for the maidens, but yet few Spanish girls would care to be without a novio, however fickle he might be.

Rats In Patagonia.

A scientist exploring Patagonia says: "The impassability of Patagonia mud is proverbial. You cannot walk through it, and it takes a sturdy mule to carry you through. More often than not it is caused by the burrowing of a tailless rat known as the tucu tucu. Acres upon acres, amounting to square miles even, of otherwise sound and wholesome ground are undermined by this indefatigable little pest. He holds the country as nothing else holds it until the advent of sheep or cattle (which he hates) induces him to shift the scene of his nightly labors."—Boston Transcript.

Why Burton Committed Suicide.

Burton, the vivacious author of "The Anatomy of Melancholy," who had the reputation of being able to raise laughter in any company, however "mute and mopish," was in reality constitutionally depressed, and it is believed that he was at last so overcome by his malady that he ended his life in a fit of melancholy.

A Cold Cold.

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"Yes," answered the manager.

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"Well, it wasn't an ordinary cold. It is what is technically known as a box office chill."—Exchange.

Relatively.

Maud—Do you like Mr. Dinwiddie? Ethel—Oh, yes; I like him, relatively speaking. Maud—Relatively speaking? What do you mean by that? Ethel—You see, I promised to be a sister to him.—St. Louis Republic.

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This poor unfortunate Hottentot
He was not content with his lottentot;
[illegible] for my [illegible]
[illegible] manner,
The [illegible] put in the pottentot!"

This poor unfortunate Hottentot
Cried: "Yield to starvation I'll nottentot,
I'll get me a cantaloupe
Or else a young antelope,
One who'll enjoy being shottentot."

This poor unfortunate Hottentot
His bow and his arrows he gottentot,
And, being stout hearted,
At once he departed
And struck through the bush at a trottentot.

This poor unfortunate Hottentot,
When several miles from his cottentot,
He chanced to set eyes on
A snake that was p'ison
A-tying itself in a knottentot.

Then this poor unfortunate Hottentot
Remarked: "This for me is no spottentot!
I'd better be going;
There's really no knowing
If he's trying to charm me or whattentot!"

This poor unfortunate Hottentot
Was turning to flee to his grottentot
When a lioness met him
And suddenly "et" him,
As a penny's engulfed by the slottentot.

MORAL.

This poor unfortunate Hottentot
Had better have borne with his lottentot
And grown even thinner
For lack of a dinner,
But I should have had, then, no plottentot!

—Laura E. Richards in St. Nicholas.

Nothing Lost.

Freddie—You said you'd bring me some candy if I'd be good.

Uncle—I'm sorry, Freddie, but I forgot all about it.

Freddie—Well, I'm glad I forgot to be good.—San Francisco Examiner.

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Fine huck towels, 18 by 36 inches, 15c value, special price, 10c each.

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No. 1 Chestnut, Anthracite	$6.50 per ton
Jellico Coal, best	5.50 " "
Virginia Bituminous Lump	5.00 " "

We respectfully solicit your orders.

Wm. E. Worth & Co.

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ANY MAN

whose debts are paid and who has $10.00 in the Bank is a CAPITALIST. Put aside something each week or each month—SOMETHING—if only a dollar.

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C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier. de 7 tf

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A large assortment to select from.

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OVERCOATS	$10
OVERCOATS	$12
OVERCOATS	$15
OVERCOATS	$18
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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, at Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, November 10th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 916,938 68
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	400 45
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	104,800 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	39,850 00
Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures	30,000 00
Other real estate owned	10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents	135,326 07
Due from State Banks and Bankers	139,052 68
Due from approved reserve agents	71,637 95
Notes of other National Banks	9,460 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	634 09
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie $35,366 00	
Legal tender notes 39,694 00	75,060 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	5,941 50
Total	$1,649,192 02

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	78,866 70
National Bank notes outstanding	125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	186,498 91
Due to State Banks and Bankers	139,650 85
Dividends unpaid	529 00
Individual deposits subject to check	764,406 49
Certified checks	600 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	12,850 04
United States Deposits	104,800 00
Total	$1,649,192 02

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November, 1904.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

C. W. YATES,
D. McEACHERN,
JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, } Directors.

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Howland Improvement Co.,

Lessee.

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 11

To Take Effect Thursday, Sept. 8, 1904, at 10.19 A. M.

GOING EAST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Passg'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Passg'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 22	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 27	9 00
7 15	7 07	Morehead City	.....	6 55
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 5.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

E. S. HOWLAND, President.
H. P. FOSTER, Gen'l Manager.
sep 10 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

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dec 10 tf 32 North Front St.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Dec. 1, 1904

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 40
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	11 18 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 45 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 05 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 21 p m	11 30 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 05 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	0 45 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily	Daily	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	10 25 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 48 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 30 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	* Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 35 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 58 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 55 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 3 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar 4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 25 p m	Ar 12 50 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

*Except Sunday.

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Air Line Railway.

Direct line to principal cities North, West and South.

EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 27TH.

Between Wilmington and New York. NORTHBOUND.	No. 66	No. 34
Leave Wilmington	4 35 a m	3 40 p m
Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	10 10 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 00 p m
" Raleigh	11 46 a m	1 30 a m
" Norlina	1 35 p m	3 27 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 03 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 35 a m
" Washington	8 36 p m	10 10 a m
" Baltimore	11 25 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 45 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 15
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 25 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 p m	12 13 a m
" Baltimore	5 10 p m	2 37 a m
" Washington	6 25 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	10 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 00 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	3 35 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	5 53 a m	6 16 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 30 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 41
Leave Wilmington	3,00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
" Athens	6 18 a m
Arrive Atlanta	8 40 a m

NORTHBOUND	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	9 00 p m
" Athens	11 23 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa

SOUTHBOUND	No. 43
Leave Wilmington	4 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 10 p m
" Columbia	12 20 a m
" Savannah	4 40 a m
" Jacksonville	9 40 a m
Arrive Tampa	5 45 p m

NORTHBOUND	No. 66
Leave Tampa	9 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m
" Savannah	12 10 a m
" Columbia	5 30 a m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Through Pullman Sleepers on all trains. Call No. 3 or address for any information,

F. B. WILLIAMSON, Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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TO THE BEACH.

Suburban Schedule,

In Effect December 10, 1904.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Wrightsville.	Leave W. Beach.
†7.00 A. M.	8.15	
10 00 A. M.		12.30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.		5 00 P. M.
*6.10 P. M.	7.30 P. M.	
*10.00 P. M. (Sat'day)	10.30 P. M. (Sat'day only)	

*Will go to Beach on request.
†Daily except Sunday.

FREIGHT.

(Daily except Sunday)

†3.00 P. M. 5 00 P. M.

The Company is not responsible for operation of this schedule.

GOLF GROUNDS.

(Daily except Sunday)

Leave Front and Princess Sts	Leave Grounds
†8:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.

CITY LINE.

Car for S. A. L. depot will leave Front and Princess streets daily at 2:30 P. M. de 10 tf

The Clyde Steamship Co

New York,

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From Wilmington for New York.

NAVAHOE Saturday, Dec. 10
CARIB Saturday, Dec. 17

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CARIB Tuesday, Dec. 13

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 16.

THREE MEN KILLED AND FOUR OTHERS INJURED.

By a Rush of Steam and Boiling Water on U. S. Battleship Massachusetts at League Island Navy Yard.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Caught in a trap and helpless to save themselves, three men lost their lives and four others, including Lieut. Wm. C. Cole, were terribly scalded to-day by a rush of steam and boiling water in the fire room of the battleship Massachusetts, lying at the League Island navy yard.

The dead are: Edward Bulls, married, boiler-maker and civilian; Andrew Hamilton, married, boiler-maker and civilian; Charles Ritzel, boiler-maker's helper and civilian. Injured: Lieut. Wm. C. Cole, U. S. N., assistant chief engineer of the Massachusetts, scalded about the head and body; taken to the navy hospital. William Anderson, ship's boiler-maker, badly scalded; taken to the naval hospital. James Wilson boiler maker's helper and civilian employe, scalded; taken to Methodist hospital. Jos. A. Duran, boiler maker's helper and civilian, scalded; taken to St. Agnes hospital. With the exception of Lieutenant Cole, all the killed and injured resided in Philadelphia. Lieutenant Cole received his injuries in an heroic effort to rescue the others.

The accident was caused by the giving way of a gasket or rubber washer on a boiler on the starboard side of the ship.

The Massachusetts has been at the navy yard for some time undergoing extensive repairs, particularly to the boilers and machinery. Although Captain Edward D. Taussig and his complement of officers and men are aboard the ship, the Massachusetts is virtually in charge of the authorities of the navy yard. The boiler on which the accident occurred had recently been cleaned and thoroughly tested, and the boiler makers were today at work on another boiler. Without warning the gasket between the boiler-plate and the boiler-head gave way and a terrific rush of steam and hot water occurred. The doors of the fire-room were closed at the time the accident occurred and the only avenue of escape was a safety ladder. Only one man, Bramlet, a ship's fireman, thought of the ladder and he escaped without a scar.

Few on the upper decks knew what had happened until the steam came rushing up from the seething pit below. The work of rescue was prompt, and to this promptness those who escaped owe their thanks. The first to enter the fire-hold was Lieutenant Cole. Without hesitating at becoming scalded by the hot water and steam, he entered and dragged the men from the place to the door where they were taken in charge by others. Bulls and Hamilton were dead when found and Ritzell died a few minutes after being taken to the dock. Whether the gasket was defective or whether it had been carelessly put in place in arrangement is not known. It is said the boiler had been thoroughly overhauled and tested under tremendous pressure of steam. At the time of the accident the steam pressure was only sufficient to run the ship's heating plant.

The accident will cause little or no delay in preparing the battleship for sea.

TELEGRAPH MERGER.

Rumors in Washington That Postal and Western Union Will Unite.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—New Yorkers in Wall street heard from out of the West yesterday to the effect that there is to be a merger in the near future of the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph companies. The purchase of $25,000,000 Missouri Pacific bonds by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., was the basic point for the rumor of the merger. The firm in question is the fiscal agent of the Pennsylvania railroad. George J. George is the mainstay of Missouri Pacific.

The Western tale is that the purchase of the Gould road bonds by the Pennsylvania's fiscal agent means that there will be a truce, and that there will be either a complete merger of the Postal Telegraph and the Western Union, or the companies will get closer together on a business agreement.

U. S. TUG MOHAWK

Sunk at Her Moorings Yesterday Morning at Norfolk, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 15.—The United States naval tug Mohawk sank at her mooring to-day. When the tug was first discovered to be settling, by the fireman of the Mohawk on deck this morning, he noticed that the boat was lower in the water and called the remainder of the tug's complement. It was found that the Mohawk was making water, and efforts were made to secure her to the wharf and prevent her sinking. In the meanwhile the engineer held down the whistle and did not let go until the boat had gone under. No reason can be assigned for the Mohawk's sinking.

PINE LUMBER DEALERS

Decide Not to Make Any Change in the Present Scale of Prices.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 15.—Representatives of twenty mills, controlling practically the entire output of Virginia and North Carolina pine lumber, met here to-day and decided not to make any change in the scale of prices which became effective November 16th.

An invitation to the North Carolina Pine Association from the secretary of agriculture to attend the American Forest Congress in Washington, January 2d to 6th, 1905, was accepted and a delegation named to represent the association.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

I will assist you in the selection of your gifts, and enable you to save some money. I have about as complete a line as you can find. J. T. Burke, Jeweler.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russian Battleship Sevastopol Attacked by the Japanese Torpedo Boats.

BATTLESHIP BADLY DAMAGED

One of the Japanese Torpedo Boats is Missing—Operations Near Mukden. Extreme Cold Weather Keeps Things Quiet Along Front.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, Dec. 15, 3 P. M.—The turret ship Sevastopol is still afloat, but is apparently damaged.

The commander of the Third Japanese squadron, reporting at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning, says:

"Commencing at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night and continuing until 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, six torpedo boats and especially fitted torpedo craft, constantly attempted attacks against the Russian battleship Sevastopol, the coast defence vessel Otvashni and the military transports.

"Details of the attacks are not yet known. However, according to the reports received from the watch tower guard-ship at 9 o'clock this morning, the Sevastopol had commenced lowering astern and the water was said to reach the torpedo tubes astern.

The same commander, telegraphing last midnight, says one torpedo boat of Lieutenant Miyamoto's flotilla became separated from its comrades and has not been found. One of the torpedo boats of this flotilla discharged and exploded a torpedo against the Sevastopol.

Operations Near Mukden.

MUKDEN, Dec. 15.—The Japanese column on General Oyama's right which General Rennenkampff recently drove back to the Taitse river, is again reported to be moving northeast and strongly holding the Siaodagai-Sianchan region, five thousand men with eight guns being at Sianchan and ten thousand men with eight guns at Saimaize.

The extreme cold keeps things quiet along the front. The distribution of warm clothing to the troops is practically finished.

Attack on the Sevastopol.

TOKIO, Dec. 15, 4 P. M.—The partially successful torpedo attack on the Sevastopol was made in the face of almost insurmountable obstacles, and recites another inspiring story of the splendid bravery of a number of officers.

Facing a driving snow storm and heavy seas, the flotillas separated and, under individual commanders, the vessels attacked independently. The decks of the destroyers and torpedo boats were coated with ice and the men suffered acutely from cold.

The Russians resorted to the most extreme precautions to protect the Sevastopol. They dropped torpedo nets which shielded the bows of the warship, and the Sevastopol was further protected by a specially constructed wooden boom, the framework of which was composed of iron-bound logs and cables and heavy chains interlaced and entangled. From the surface of this boom hung a deep curtain made of torpedo nets taken from the sunken battleships, the purpose of which was to catch and destroy the torpedoes and their mechanism. The torpedo boats and destroyers evidently forced the openings which the Russians had left so as to allow communication with the harbor.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE GONE.

Went Down With a Number of Pedestrians and Six Teams—Three Persons Killed and Five Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 15.—Three persons were killed and five others were seriously injured to day by the collapse of the suspension bridge across the Elk river which connects East and West Charleston. On the bridge when it went down were six children on their way to school and a number of other pedestrians, together with six teams. The bridge went down without any warning, but a number of those who were near the ends of the structure managed to reach land before it collapsed. Those who went down with the wreckage fell a distance of forty feet into the ice-covered waters of the river. The steamer Baxter broke the ice to allow small boats to reach the scene and rescue work immediately began. The injured first were assisted to the shore and a later search was made of the river for dead bodies. The bodies of Mamie Higginbotham and Annie Humphreys were taken out and the search continued until night fall, but no others were found.

MARINE DISASTER.

Schooner Stranded—Crew Taken Off. Boat Capsized—One Man Drowned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—A boat containing members of the crew of the wrecking tug North America, sent out to the three-masted schooner John R. Halladay which stranded to-day on the south side of Cape Henlopen, Del., was capsized and Jacob Jacobson was drowned. The schooner's crew was taken off in the breeches buoy with the exception of the captain who stayed aboard his vessel until late in the afternoon when all possibility of floating the schooner at high tide had passed. Unless a storm arises it is believed that the vessel may be saved. The schooner is in good condition. The vessel which was bound from New York to Norfolk was endeavoring to make a harbor at the Delaware Breakwater.

CAROLINA NORTHERN.

V. E. McBee Appointed Co-Receiver With W. J. Edwards by Judge Purnell.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 15.—V. E. McBee of New York, was yesterday appointed by Judge Purnell co-receiver with W. J. Edwards, of the Carolina North Railroad Company of this State. The appointment was made on the petition of the Guaranty Trust Company, of Philadelphia, trustee for the bondholders, which was filed at the request of practically all the holders of the road's securities, who are principally residents of Philadelphia and Richmond, and by whom a suit for foreclosure was recently brought.

Is it a nice tie, suspenders, half-hose, collars, cuffs or anything else in the gents' furnishing line for Christmas? Our friends tell us they never saw a prettier line of such goods as are now open at our store. Come early to get best selections. This is the place: "At the Sign of the Golden Arm," I. Shrier, northeast corner of Front and Princess.

SENATE DISCUSSED THE PHILIPPINE BILL.

Swayne Impeachment Proceedings—Bill to Improve Currency Conditions Discussed in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Senate spent practically the entire day discussing the Philippine administrative bill. A number of amendments were suggested and debated, among them being provisions relating to railroad bonds, mining locations and tariff rates. Under unanimous agreement the vote on the bill will be taken to morrow and the disposal of all amendments will occur at the same time.

A formal order to enter upon the Swayne impeachment proceedings was adopted, but did not fix a day for beginning the work.

Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, chairman of the select committee to consider the recommendations of the House of Representatives for the impeachment of Judge Charles S. Swayne, presented the report of that committee. The report was in the shape of an order which after reciting the circumstances in a preamble, proceed as follows:

"Ordered that the Senate bill, according to its standing rules and orders in such cases provided, take proper action thereon (upon the presentation of the articles of impeachment), of which due notice shall be given to the House of Representatives."

The resolution was agreed to.

The Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill was passed without debate.

Among the amendments to the Philippine bill suggested was one by Mr. Culberson, granting 20,000 acres of the Philippine public lands for every mile of railroad constructed in the islands. This was offered as a substitute for the bond provision.

Mr. Bailey proposed an amendment giving the Philippine government authority to regulate the charges of the roads, to which it is proposed to extend aid.

The Senate then adjourned until to-morrow.

House of Representatives.

Discussion of the bill "to improve currency conditions," was resumed in the House to day, but throughout the session its advancement was beset with obstructive tactics by the Democrats, led by Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, minority leader. The Democrats mustered sufficient strength to force Speaker Cannon to break a tie in order that the bill might be taken up, the Democrats assuming their attitude because Mr. Hill, of Connecticut, in charge of the bill, refused to postpone its further consideration. Little progress was made on the measure.

An amendment was offered by Mr. Williams requiring the payment of interest by banks on amounts deposited by the government and limiting the amount to be deposited in any one bank bidding in competition for the same.

In favoring the amendment Mr. Hitchcock, of Nebraska, said that "if adopted it would prevent political favorites from getting hold of the deposits." New York bankers, he declared, had demanded the deposits as a reward for political services rendered by their officers.

Mr. Williams cited a case of favoritism that came under his observation. He asserted that the money should go to those parties of the country engaged in productive enterprises and not to the sections where there was gambling in wheat and corn.

A protracted debate regarding interest rates on money followed, at the end of which the bill was laid aside and the House adjourned until to-morrow.

FIERCE NORTHWEST STORM.

Fog, Rain, Snow and Sleet With a Gale of Wind on the Coast North of Hatteras. Its Effects at Norfolk, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 15.—Norfolk and the Virginia-Carolina coast was in the grasp of a fierce northwest storm with a combination of fog, rain, snow and sleet to-day. The wind is blowing forty miles an hour off the capes to-night and steamers have not ventured out. Hampton Roads is sheltering a vast fleet of sailing vessels. South of Cape Henry the government seacoast wires are prostrated and no news has been received from the Hatteras section since early in the day. Up to the time communication was broken there had been no marine disaster reported, but the gale has increased in intensity to-night and a heavy sea is on the outside.

The storm has done little damage in Norfolk beyond the usual delaying of traffic. Truck Company No. 1, in responding to an alarm of fire to-night, was overturned by the apparatus slipping on the icy paving. Driver Trayler was badly injured, but the other members of the truck's crew escaped injury.

REPEAL MERCHANTS' LICENSE.

Some Legislation That Will be Asked by State Retailers' Association.

Mr. Norman N. Johnson, attorney general of the state retail merchants association, is having petitions circulated among the merchants of North Carolina in favor of certain legislation which will be proposed at the forthcoming session of the legislature.

The repeal of the merchants tax is one of the things asked. A bill will be introduced to change the present law and make certain false representations indictable as false pretense. The petitioners also ask for a change in the constitutional provision giving homestead exemption so that a law can be passed for a garnishment collection as is in force in all the States save seven.

Mr. Johnson says that the Wholesale Dealers and Manufacterers Millers Association of the Carolinas are circulating a petition for the passage of a bill regulating the sale of merchandise in the bulk, also that a freight solicitor be appointed to look into the subject of freight discriminations in this State. Another bill advocated by this association is to make 48 pounds the standard weight for bushel sacks of meal.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Large Donation for a Y. M. C. A. Building at Spencer, N. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, Dec. 15.—The Southern Railway will give $15,000 and a site toward the erection of a $30,000 Y. M. C. A. building in Spencer, N. C. A committee which visited Washington and called on Vice President Finley of the Southern in the interest of the proposed building, returned to Spencer saying that steps toward its erection would be taken about the first of January.

The prices will be according to the quality, and quality guaranteed. I am trying to please the public with the best to be had on the market. J. T. Burke, Jeweler.

MRS. CHADWICK HAD A VERY BUSY DAY.

Banker Beckwith Told Her She Had Ruined Him and Urged Her to Tell Everything.

PROSPECTIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Hearings in the Bankruptcy Court May be Resumed—Application for an Additional Receiver—New Lawyer Engaged by Mrs. Chadwick.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15. — Mrs. Chadwick's first day in the county jail was a busy one for her. She received several visits from her attorneys, held long conferences with them, conversed with newspaper men and for fifteen minutes stood face to face with President Beckwith, of the Oberlin bank, who has come to such great trouble through his financial transactions with her. The meeting was dramatic. The aged banker, who had been for hours before the county grand jury, went to the office of Sheriff Barry this afternoon and asked if he might see Mrs. Chadwick. The sheriff readily consented, and Mrs. Chadwick was eager to see him. Accompanied by Mrs. Beckwith, who, owing to her husband's ill health, is always by his side, the aged banker made his way slowly and feebly up the long flights of iron stairs leading to Mrs. Chadwick's cell. She met him at the entrance of the corridor and shook hands with him cordially. After some general conversation Mr. Beckwith referred to their business relations by saying:

"Mrs. Chadwick, you have ruined me; but I'm not so sure yet you are a fraud. I have stood by you to my last dollar, and do think now that the time has come for you to make known everything in relation to this thing." Beckwith's voice betrayed deep emotion as he spoke and he leaned heavily on the arm of his wife, who was almost compelled to support him, so great was his physical weakness.

Mrs. Chadwick did not reply directly to the words of Mr. Beckwith, but her manner and the look on her face were not conciliatory.

Seeing that she would not answer, Mr. Beckwith went on: "I have always told you that I did not like it, because you changed your lawyers so often. Why don't you get a good one and stick to him?"

"Well," said Mrs. Chadwick in reply, "I have reasons for that."

"Have you heard from Judge Olcot recently," was Mr. Beckwith's next question.

"Not since I left New York," was Mrs. Chadwick's reply.

"Has he changed his mind?"

"No, he has the same belief that he has always held." To what matter the questions referred is not known.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith then both said they hoped the matters connected with the Chadwick affair would be eventually straightened out. The interview then closed. Mrs. Chadwick thanked them for calling, shook hands with Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith and said she would be pleased to have them call again.

There is a possibility that the hearing in the Chadwick case may be resumed to-morrow morning in the Bankruptcy Court, and that she will be summoned as a witness, although the possibilities are that the hearing will go over until Saturday and possibly until Monday.

An application for an additional receiver for the Chadwick estate was made in the Common Pleas Court this afternoon by the Savings Deposit, Banking and Trust Company of Elyria, O., which has brought suit against Mrs. Chadwick on two notes of $35,000 and $10,000 respectively.

Mrs. Chadwick this afternoon retained the attorney who is to conduct her defence when she is called for trial in the Federal Court. He is J. P. Dawley, one of the leading criminal lawyers of Cleveland. Sheldon Q. Keerush will assist Mr. Dawley.

Mr. Kerruish said this afternoon: "It is very difficult to know what is best to do for Mrs. Chadwick. She says one thing and a little later will give a totally different version of the same matter. Until we have succeeded in getting her affairs straightened out it will be difficult to say what we will do. I do not know of any case where it has been so difficult for an attorney to get his bearings."

Mr. Dawley after conferring with Mrs. Chadwick for thirty minutes announced that he has been retained, but said his talk with her had covered no other ground than that engaging him to act in her behalf. A line of defence was something he had not had time to consider, and which he could not until he had consulted her fully.

Mrs. Chadwick received a reporter of the Associated Press in the woman's corridor of the jail to-day and gave what she said would be her last interview.

"I am very much disheartened after reading the accounts of my home coming in the morning papers," she said, "and on that account I have decided to do no more talking. It is quite uncertain whether or not I shall give out the formal statement I had promised, in view of the sensational way the papers are treating the case."

Mrs. Chadwick showed the correspondent a letter which she said contained an offer of a large amount of money for the statement. She said she would pay no attention to the offer, and reiterated her previous remarks that she was watching the papers carefully and would give the statement, if issued, to the papers which treat her case in the fairest manner.

"To show you that my husband's family still stand by me," said Mrs. Chadwick, "I have here letters received in the morning mail from Dr. Chadwick's sister, niece and brother, Judge Chadwick of Minnesota, all of whom are very sympathetic in tone."

The tangle of the receivers of Mrs. Chadwick's property was straightened out to-day when Herbert W. Bell, the receiver appointed by the Common Pleas Court, turned over to Nathan Loeser, the receiver designated by the United States District Court, all the property of the Chadwick estate in his possession. Mr. Bell surrendered to Receiver Loeser all the securities which had been given to Irl Reynolds by Mrs. Chadwick, concerning the Carnegie notes and trust agreement. Receiver Loeser is now in possession of all the personal property of Mrs. Chadwick that has been located, with the exception of the chattels in her residence in this city. The Elyria bank has a chattel mortgage on these for $7,500, and the receiver will test this claim, but he has, however, an equity in all that remains above this amount. The diamonds of Mrs. Chadwick have not been located as yet. Receiver Loeser has the name of a man in New York who is said to have a portion of them in his possession, the name having been given him by Irl Reynolds. Mr. Loeser would not divulge the name of this man until it has been ascertained whether or not he was in possession of any of the diamonds.

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NEW WARSHIPS FOR NAVY.

Bids for Construction of Battleship New Hampshire and Armored Cruisers North Carolina and Montana.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Bids were opened at the Navy Department to-day for the construction of the battleship New Hampshire and the armored cruisers North Carolina and Montana. The lowest bidder on two ships was the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company which offered to complete the two cruisers in thirty-six months at $3,575,000 each or one cruiser and the battleship in thirty-six months at $3,650,000.

On the battleship alone the company's bid was $3,650,000 to be completed in thirty-six months and on one armored cruiser $3,725,000 to be completed in the same length of time. The other bids were as follows:

Maryland Steel Company, of Baltimore, Md., the battleship in forty-two months at $4,285,000, one armored cruiser in forty-two months, $4,325,000; two cruisers in forty-two months at $4,290,000 each.

The Fore River Ship Building Company, Quincy, Mass., battleship in 42 months, $3,961,000; one armored cruiser, time omitted, $4,231,000; one armored cruiser, according to the company's modified specifications in forty two months $4,331,000; both armored cruisers, forty-two months, at $4,344,000 each.

Moran Brothers of Seattle, Wash., battleship, forty-two months, $4,140,000; one armored cruiser, 42 months, $4,387,000; both cruisers, one forty-two months, the other fifty months, $8,386,000 for both.

William Cramp Sons, Philadelphia, Pa., battleship in 41 months, $3,889,000; one cruiser, 41 months, $4,080,000; both cruisers, one in 40 months, and the other in 41 months, $3,879,000 each.

The New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J., one cruiser 38 months, $3,850,000, one in 38 months and the other in forty months at $3,735,000 each; battleship in 38 months $3,748,000.

The Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, Cal., one cruiser in 42 months $3,800,000; or two in 42 months $7,590,000 for both.

The New Hampshire will be of 16,000 tons displacement and the North Carolina and Montana 14,500 tons each.

TRIAL OF NAN PATTERSON.

Mrs. Young Again on the Witness Stand. The Intercepted Letter—Other Testimony—State Rests Its Case.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—At the conclusion of the examination of Mrs. Young, widow of Cæsar Young, who was called to the witness stand twice to day, Assistant District Attorney Rand practically rested the case of the prosecution against Nan Patterson. Mr. Rand announced he would call only two more witnesses, whose testimony would be comparatively unimportant.

Mrs. Young took the stand and verified from the records her testimony of yesterday regarding the intercepted letter written to Young by Miss Patterson's sister, Julia Smith. Mrs. Smith in the letter asked Young to call and she her at once. She wrote among other things "I would like to get the whole thing straightened out because of Nan's periurbed condition. I understood what is the matter. We will be at home at noon to-morrow. Nan is about frantic. See me first and if you don't I cannot answer for what might happen. You know how Nan loves you and as she is now nearly wild her condition breaks my heart. I expect to see you as soon as possible."

Again in the afternoon Mrs. Young was re-called and told of the arrangement for her proposed trip to Europe with Young. She said that after her husband had retired early in the morning of June 4th she searched his pockets and was certain that he had no revolver. She said also that he never carried a revolver.

John Mellen, Young's racing partner, was also a witness to-day. He told of efforts Young had made to break off his relations with Miss Patterson while in Los Angeles in March last. He said that he purchased a ticket for her and gave her $800 of Young's money when it was decided that she should leave him.

At the conclusion of to-day's session of the court, counsel for Miss Patterson held a conference to decide whether to offer evidence in her defence, but their decision will not be announced until to-morrow.

A FLORIDA TRAGEDY

John Flowers Fatally Shot His Adopted Son and Then Killed Himself.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 15.—Just recovering from a debauch, Captain John Flowers, a wealthy resident of Palma Sola, discharged the contents of one barrel of a shotgun into the face of his adopted son James, aged 18, then fired the other barrel at John Ray, a neighbor, and realizing his act went to his room and drained a bottle of laudanum, from the effects of which he died. The stepson's injuries are believed to be fatal, one eye being shot out and some of the shot entering the brain. Ray was only slightly wounded.

FALL RIVER MILLS.

Efforts Being Made to Secure Aid of the Civic Federation to End the Strike.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FALL RIVER, MASS., Dec. 15.—There was a persistent rumor among the cotton mill strikers in this city tonight that strong pressure would be brought to bear on the officials of the Civic Federation, now in session in New York city, to interest the Federation in and end if possible the cotton mills strike here, which has thrown out of employment 25,000 operatives in Fall River mills. It is known that several officers of the different unions affected by the strike have gone to New York.

WARM WIRELETS

Brigadier General Samuel E. Whiteside, retired, who had command of the department of Santiago during the Spanish war, died suddenly in Washington yesterday.

The directors of the L. & N. Railroad Company at a meeting in New York declared a cash dividend of 3 per cent. payable February 10.

Senator Taliaferro has introduced a bill to appropriate $100,000 to acquire a site and construct a branch home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Florida.

Bids were opened yesterday for transportation of 50,000 tons of coal from the Atlantic coast to the coaling station in Manila bay. The bids of the American shippers were nearly $12 per ton higher than those of foreign shippers.

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SMUGGLED GOODS

Rich Store of Silks and Other Goods Seized on U. S. Cruiser San Francisco.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Dec. 15.—Customs officers at Old Point are reported to have seized on board the United States cruiser San Francisco a rich store of smuggled goods, including silks, cigars, China and ostrich feathers.

The value of the goods seized cannot be ascertained, the officials declining to discuss the matter, further than to admit that the confiscation was made. The seizure was effected yesterday, just as the San Francisco was about to sail for Norfolk. Customs Collector Smith acted under instructions received from Washington prior to the arrival of the San Francisco in Hampton Roads. The San Francisco sailed for Norfolk to-day.

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Lost—Solid gold watch, Rockford movement, Waltham 14k double case. Picture of young lady on front case, to or at Wrightsville Sunday, Dec. 4. Finder return to this office and receive reward. dec 14 4t

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New Series B. and L. Stock, Jan. 1, 1905.—The Mechanics' Home Association opens two new series every year, one in January and one in July Subscription books now open. Nathaniel Jacobi, President; W. M. Cumming, Secretary and Treasurer. dec 9 tf

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